Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 12 May 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 13 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 11 May 2022 at 16:10 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High, but Medium for cloud details

Headline for Thursday 12 May 2022: Bright start, then showers or longer spells of rain. Windy and cold, summit gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 12 May 2022

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales Medium Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	30%	50%	50%	60%	70%

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Weather: Mainly dry with patchy cloud cover overnight leading to a bright start. However, cloud soon increasing from the west with showers or longer outbreaks of rain, the rain turning heavy and persistent in the evening around Ben Lawers and Ben Vorlich, perhaps wintry at first over the highest summits. Conditions will stay driest and brightest for longest over the Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills. Windy, summit gales and feeling cold.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% overnight and early morning, falling 20% by midday around Ben Lawers and the west and 40% in the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Patchy summit cloud early morning, but soon extensive, base 900m, patches to 600m at times. Visibility mostly very good at first, but soon moderate in rain or showers, and becoming poor or very poor at height.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	31/37 W	33/40 W	31/39 W	28/37 W	33/44 SW	36/47 SW	38/49 SW	38/49 SW	36/47 SW
900	21/28 W	23/30 W	23/30 W	23/32 W	27/38 SW	27/39 SW	26/38 SW	27/38 SW	26/37 SW
600	15/26 W	16/28 W	16/27 W	17/30 W	20/35 SW	19/35 SW	17/33 SW	17/33 SW	17/33 SW
300	8/20 W	9/21 W	11/23 W	13/26 W	15/30 SW	15/31 SW	13/27 SW	10/24 SW	10/23 SW
Glen	8/19 W	7/17 SW	9/19 SW	12/24 W	15/29 SW	16/31 SW	13/27 SW	12/26 SW	11/23 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-0/-8	-1/-10	-1/-10	0/-7	1/-7	2/-6	1/-7	1/-7	1/-7
900	2/-5	1/-6	1/-6	3/-4	4/-3	4/-2	4/-3	3/-4	3/-3
600	4/-0	3/-2	4/-1	6/1	7/2	7/2	6/2	5/1	5/1
300	6/4	5/2	6/3	9/6	10/7	10/7	9/6	8/5	8/5
Glen	7/4	6/3	7/4	10/7	11/8	11/8	10/8	9/6	9/6
Freezing Level*	1100m	900m	900m	1100m	1300m	1400m	1400m	1300m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Conditions quickly deteriorating around Ben Lawers and the west.

Forecast for Friday 13 May 2022
Weather: A cloudy and overcast start with patchy light rain and drizzle. Becoming mainly dry and the cloud beginning to lift and break during the afternoon and evening. Windy with summits gales.

Maximum wind: West 30 to 40mph, gusting 55mph over the summits, easing slightly by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Nil to 30% becoming 50% to 80% by evening, the best of the conditions around Mount Keen and the north.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive, base 600 to 900m, lifting and breaking during the day. Visibility starting poor or very poor at height, but becoming mainly good or very good after a damp start.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 Celsius rising to 15 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 5 to 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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